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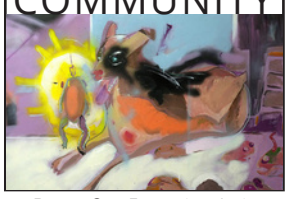

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El alcalde Duggan anuncia $100 millones en becas de capacitación laboral para los habitantes de Detroit

El lunes 30 de enero, el alcalde Mike Duggan condujo paso a paso a los habitantes de Detroit para que pudieran acceder al plan de $100 millones en becas para adultos, que van a ser financiadas por la Ley del Plan de Rescate Estadounidense, para ayudarlos a reincorporarse a la fuerza laboral en un nuevo empleo, o para recibir capacitaciones y comenzar una carrera completamente nueva. Durante el discurso nocturno presentado en el Ayuntamiento y a través de Zoom, el alcalde presentó a los residentes cinco programas clave, diseñados para ayudarlos a mejorar sus recursos, sin importar cómo sea su desarrollo laboral o su preparación anterior.

"Hay un trabajo disponible para todos los habitantes de Detroit que quieran trabajar y la mitad de ellos no requieren una educación universitaria", dijo el alcalde Duggan. "Gracias a la Ley del Plan de Rescate Estadounidense del presidente Joe Biden, tenemos $100 millones en becas para adultos que van a ayudar
a los habitantes de Detroit, que hayan estado desempleados durante más de seis meses, o que deseen capacitarse para un trabajo bien remunerado en una nueva industria y quieran acceder a esas oportunidades."

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Mayor Duggan Announces $100 Million in Job Training Scholarships for Detroiters

Representatives of 18 IDOs selected to particpate in the $40 million Jump Start program

On Monday, January 30, Mayor Mike Duggan walked Detroiters through a step-by-step process for accessing their share of $100 million in American Rescue Plan Act funded adult scholarships to help them rejoin the workforce in a new job, or to receive training to start an entirely new career. During an evening address hosted at City Hall and through Zoom, the Mayor introduced residents to five key programs designed to help them improve their livelihoods, no matter where they are in their employment status or job readiness.

"There is a job available today for every Detroiter who wants to work and half of them do not require a college education," said Mayor Duggan. . "Thanks to President Joe Biden's American Rescue Plan Act, we have $100 million in adult scholarships that can help Detroiters who may have been unemployed for more than six months, or who want to be trained for a good paying job in a new industry, access those opportunities."

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MANA de Metro Detroit Scholarship Program Launches

By Ines de Jesus, Chair, MANA de Metro Detroit Scholarship Committee

MANA de Metro Detroit is the local chapter of MANA a National Latina Organization. Its mission is to empower Latinas and create a better quality of life for all Latinos through education, leadership development, and advocacy. MANA also emphasizes personal empowerment, professional development, networking and community service.

With this mission in mind, in 1996, MANA de Metro Detroit established its Scholarship Program. Since then, it has been providing scholarships to Latinas annually. As of 2022, MANA has awarded 138 scholarships to Latinas currently enrolled in high school or a higher education institution, vocational /career program or leadership training. The MANA Scholarship award can be used to augment a student's educational budget to cover costs such as tuition, books, transportation needs, supplies, and other school related expenses. MANA de Metro Detroit is pleased to announce that the 2023 scholarship application process is now open and Latina/ Hispanic high school seniors, college and/or trade students can apply online at MANA's website. In continuing MANA's legacy of supporting Latinas, this year a new scholarship has been established for students in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM).

For this 2023-2024 school year, MANA will award four different scholarships as well as renewal scholarships, to qualified high school seniors and Latinas attending college or trade schools. Each scholarship award is in the amount of two-thousand ($2,000) dollars. The scholarships are combined in one application that is posted on the MANA website. Applicants that meet the requirements may apply for one or more scholarships, however they will only be awarded one scholarship. The four scholarship categories are:

(1) The MANA de Metro Detroit - General Scholarship designed to assist students in any field of study;

(2) The Carmen Muñoz Entrepreneurship Scholarship to continue Carmen Muñoz' legacy of entrepreneurism and community engagement;

(3) The Monica L. Martinez Leadership Scholarship to support students who want to follow Monica Martinez' footsteps in the fields of leadership and community engagement; and

(4) The Ellen Ochoa STEM Scholarship in honor of Dr. Ochoa, the first Latina to go to space as a scientist and astronaut.

2022 MANA de Metro Detroit Scholarship Recipients

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Get Well Thoughts and Prayers for Jesse

For those who don't know, Jesse Gonzales, Sr., our beloved roving photographer for EL CENTRAL and everyone's BFF in Southwest Detroit, was diagnosed with a life-threatening health condition. Jesse was recently transferred from Henry Ford Hospital to the Rehabilitation Institute of Michigan in the Detroit Medical Center for extended rehab.

Jesse would love to hear from his support network. Send him a note c/o RIM Physical Medicine at 261 Mack Ave., Detroit MI 48201 or drop by during visiting hours from 11am to 6pm daily.

A special mass for Jesse's recuperation is scheduled at Most Holy Trinity Catholic Church on Sunday, February 12th at 11am. All are welcome.

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Emerging Artist Roberto Patiño Jr. Talks Art Journey and Inspiration

By Amber Ogden

As January's featured emerging artist at the Detroit Artist Market (DAM), Mexican-American artist Roberto Patiño Jr. humbly describes himself as a self-taught with 11 years of experience. He currently has 10 original works now on display, at the DAM, and Patiño has already sold over half of his collection. Born and raised in Detroit, Patiño talks about how the city, and especially his aunt Claudia continue to inspire him on his creative journey.

Patiño recently met artist and curator Jeff Cancelosi through a mutual friend and local artist, Connery McDowell. Cancelosi was impressed with Patiño's work and asked him to be a part of DAM. This connection also led to him giving an artist talk at the Artist Reception at Henry Ford Cancer Pavilion on Saturday for the Concerning Landscape exhibition.

"I did graffiti back in the day, but I wasn't good at it. She [Aunt Claudia] told me, 'Don't paint the walls, but here paint these canvas and do it at home.' My aunt saw right away I was interested in art but wanted to keep me away from trouble," Patiño says. He describes his aunt Claudia as the keeper of culture in his family, with interests in music, art, and food. He shares that he relates to his aunt in an artistic sense by going against the grain and not conforming to traditional artistic norms.

Patiño says his artwork deals with "Conflict and honesty, with an ego unchecked, taking a closely guided tour through balancing the constant running mind." He describes, "Wild colors and ideas come with soothing, playful reminders and that, as intense as life can be, there is always something to enjoy."

When asked who his favorite artist is today, he mentioned a close friend of 10 years. "My favorite artist is Nick Pizaña, also co-owner/curator at KO Studio Gallery located in Hamtramck. Also, one of my favorites is Julianna Sanromán Rojas, a student attending the College for Creative Studies. She helps a lot of the people in the community. I would like to also do this and be involved with helping out the students that are devoted to their artistic journey."

Patiño expresses what it means to be an emerging artist in a city made up predominantly of people of color. He mentions it makes him emotional when he thinks about how the art community has become a support pillar that holds him up. He has come to meet like-minded artists who have helped to refine his ideas.

"It's been a lot of fun, with Detroit being a Black and Brown city, it's been great to create in this space. I work with Black artists, and I also love connecting with up-and-coming Latino artists from all over. Some of whom are friends of mine."

Excited about what's next for him, Patiño is looking forward to creating an art festival with current artist partner Gwendolyn Redwick. "An artist showcase featuring about 20 artists possibly to take place at the Detroit Repertory Theatre either later this year or as soon as early next year," Patiño says. He will continue to display his work in the coming months wherever he can in local shows and across the Metro Detroit area.

Patiño's work is currently for sale and on display from now until February 18, 2023, at the Detroit Artists Market located at 4719 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, MI 48201.

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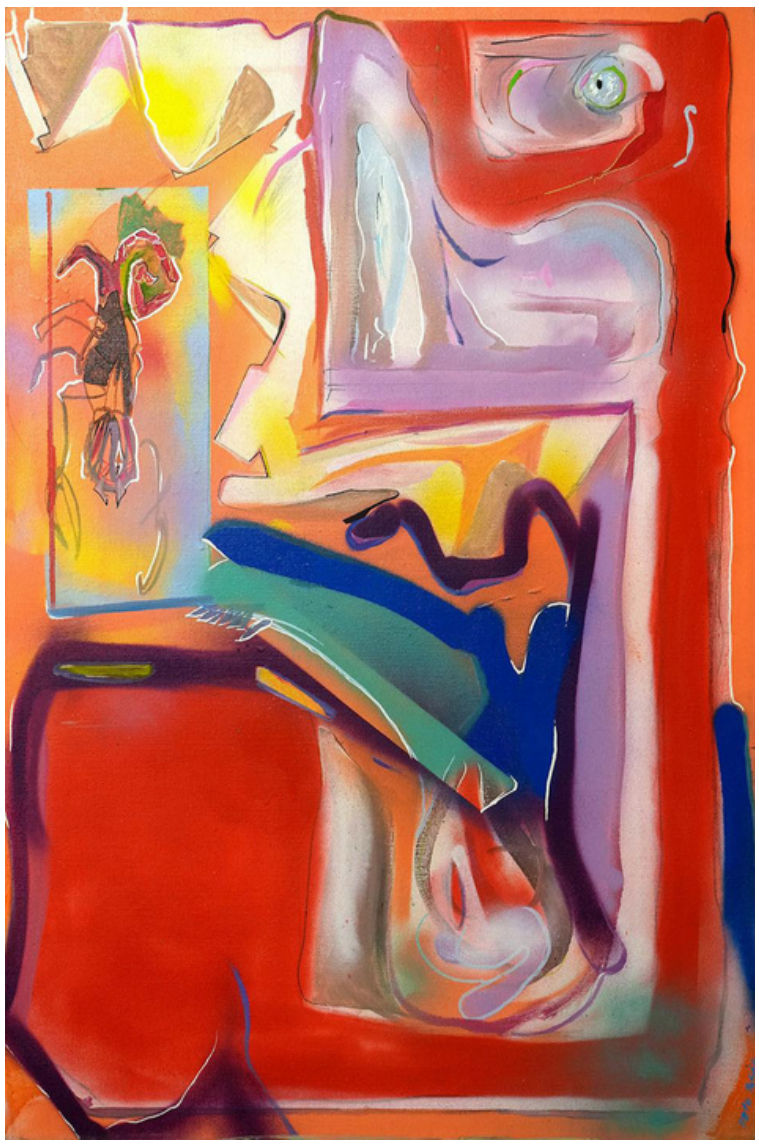

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MANA Scholarship

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Who is eligible to apply for these scholarships? Latina/ Hispanic women who are seeking a college degree or vocational education and training and who are residents of Detroit and communities in the Metro Detroit Area. High school seniors or individual with a GED, students who are currently enrolled in college or post-secondary vocational school, and students who would like to renew their MANA scholarship are eligible to apply.

Please visit the MANA of Metro Detroit website (https:www.manademetrodetroit.com/) to get information about each scholarship and to complete the application. The deadline for returning all applications electronically is April 17, 2023.

MANA scholarships are made possible by the generous donations from our community and sponsors. Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to support Latinas from our community and to give them opportunities to achieve their educational goals. Your donation will increase the number of scholarships that MANA de Metro provides our Latinas yearly. 100% of donated funds are designated to our scholarship recipients. Visit our website, https://www.manademetrodetroit.com for additional information.

Alma Cruz named President of the Mexican Patriotic Committee of Metro Detroit

The Mexican Patriotic Committee of Metro Detroit (MPC) has announced it has named Alma Cruz as its new president to start the organization's 93rd Year in Southwest Detroit. The MPC's former President, Raymond Lozano, has decided to step down after many years as the organization's leader. The MPC Executive Committee recently named Alma Cruz as the new President. She is a longtime resident of Southwest Detroit and MPC member since 2019 chairing the membership committee and assisting on various events including the Cinco de Mayo Parade and El Grito de Independencia Celebration.

Cruz previously worked at the Southwest Detroit Business Association helping local contractors build their capacity and is currently employed with Barton Malow Builders, a Michigan-based construction company doing similar work in the industry. She is passionate about bringing underrepresented companies to the table with large construction entities to build up Detroit through inclusive redevelopment practices.

Her volunteer work – in addition to the Mexican Patriotic Committee events – includes Delta Tau Lambda Sorority, Inc. where she is the elected President of her professional/ graduate chapter. The sorority's mission is to deliver health resources and awareness to their communities as well as promote academic opportunities. The

Alma Cruz, newly named president of the Mexican Patriotic Committee of Metro Detroit

organization holds fundraisers in support of core charitable causes including Breast Cancer, Diabetes, AIDS Awareness, and Mental Health.

Her mission within the Mexican Patriotic Committee is to uphold the traditions of migrant families in Southwest Detroit and surrounding counties. Cruz says she hopes to create safe spaces for families and stimulate creativity and commerce in the community. In addition, she hopes to contribute to the long-standing success of the MPC events including the Annual Cinco de Mayo Parade and Fiesta that is a weekend long celebration this year starting Friday, May 5, 2023 and ending with the Parade on Sunday, May 7, 2023.

The Committee is seeking float/procession participants for this year's parade. Applications are available at www.mpcdetroit.org or contact the Committee to schedule an appointment at 313-518-4354 or the parade Chairman, Juan Carrion at 313-633-7319.

Laura Reyes Kopack Appointed to National MCAA Committee

Laura Reyes Kopack has been appointed to the Government Affairs Committee of the national Mechanical Contractors Association of America for 2023. The appointment becomes effective in March.

The Mechanical Contractors Association of America (MCAA) is a national association that serves the unique needs of approximately 2,600 firms involved in heating, air conditioning, refrigeration, plumbing, piping, and mechanical service. Reyes Kopack is the first Latina to be appointed to the Government Affairs Committee of the MCAA.

$100 Million in training scholarships

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The $100 million in scholarships are available across the following five categories, which are designed to support individuals, no matter where they are in their career path:

1. Jump Start Scholarships. Enrollment opened on Tuesday, January 31 for this new scholarship program offered to any Detroiter who has been unemployed for at least the past six months. Scholarships are for the Learn to Earn and High School Degree programs, and any part time training. Between paid income and stipends for living expenses, the program pays an equivalent of nearly $20 per hour, which is considered a living wage. Last week, Mayor Duggan announced 18 community partner organizations that will directly engage with long-term unemployed residents to get them connected to these programs and provide mentorship along the way. The IDOs will be the city's boots on the ground for enrolling long-term unemployed Detroiters in the mayor's ARPA-funded Jump Start program. Each will be tasked with identifying residents from the neighborhoods they're already doing work in and enrolling them in education or training programs. They will also coach and mentor each participant, monitor their progress and identify potential barriers to success throughout the program.

Participating IDOs also will be eligible for performance-based incentives of up to $2,200 per participant for each track of the program. As each IDO client reaches their milestones in the program, the IDO will receive a financial incentive.

"In the Jump Start Program, participants have a financial incentive to work hard and succeed, and so do the IDOs that are helping them along the way," said Mayor Duggan. "We really believe that this approach will result in a lot of Detroiters who had stopped trying to find work getting onto a path to gainful employment that can sustain them."

Selected In Detroit Organization (IDO)/ Districts serviced

1. International Institute of Metro Detroit/ D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, D7
2. Vincent & Sarah Fisher Center/ D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, D7
3. Focus Hope/ D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, D7
4. Fit4Life Health and Fitness D1, D2
5. The Open Door COGIC/ D3
6. TMI Detroit Inc./ D3
7. Family Assistance for Renaissance Men/ D3, D4, D5
8. Alkebu Lan Village/ D3, D4, D5
9. Emerging Industries Training Institute/ D3, D4, D6
10. The Black Bottom Group/ D4
11. Urge Imprint - Detroit Friends and Family/ D4, D5
12. Church of the Messiah Housing/ D5
13. Teach Empower Achieve (T.E.A.)/ D5
14. Center for Employment Opportunities/ D5
15. Spectrum Human Services Inc./ D5
16. Detroit Hispanic Development Corp/ D6
17. Southwest Detroit Business Association/ D6
18. The People's Action/ D6, D7

"Knowing where to start when you're ready to get into the job market can be hard, especially for people who have been out of the workforce for a while," said Nicole Sherard-Freeman, who serves as the Mayor's Group Executive for Jobs, Economy and Detroit at Work. "To be better at coming alongside our residents, we're taking community-centered partnerships to the next level. A stronger, financially supported network of community-based grassroots organizations that have long-standing relationships deep in our neighborhoods is the next frontier in getting thousands of Detroiters on the road to a better job or a new career."

Enrollment for $40M Jump Start Program is now open at DetroitAtWork.com or 313-962-WORK and through 18 community partner organizations

2. Learn to Earn Scholarships. Residents who currently read below the 8th grade level can get paid $10 per hour up to 20 hours per week ($800 per month) to improve their reading skills. Hours are flexible and are available on nights and weekends, as well as in person and online. Students typically raise their reading skills by 2 grades over 14 weeks. Residents unemployed for the past six months also are eligible for another $300 Jump Start scholarship per month.

3. High School Diploma Scholarships. Any Detroiter who was scheduled to graduate in 2018 or earlier can get paid $10 per hour for up to 20 hours per week ($800 per month) to earn their diploma or GED. This can help open the door to many good paying jobs that have a high school educational requirement. Hours are flexible and are available on nights and weekends, as well as in person and online. More than 100 diploma scholars already have graduated! Residents unemployed for the past six months also are eligible for another $300 Jump Start scholarship per month.

4. Skills for Life Scholarships. Get hired by the city and paid $15 per hour for three days of work per week and two days of class time. Job opportunities include Park Ambassador, Neighborhood Cleanup, Door to Door Outreach. Classroom work includes training opportunities in a range of careers, including Truck Driver (CDL), Heavy Equipment Operator, Information Technology, Skilled Trades and Healthcare positions. These careers have starting pays ranging from $17-$25 per hour. Today, the city has more than 200 Skills for Live scholars being paid fulltime for work and training. Training lasts from three months to one year, depending on field.

5. 50 Different Career Training Scholarships. The City offers 20 paid and 30 unpaid training programs, offered at no cost to the participants. Training programs are offered across a series of in-demand professions, including health care, information technology, hospitality, trucking and logistics, skilled trades and more. Each training program is detailed in a new Detroit at Work career guide, available at DetroitAtWork.com/guide.

Training income will not affect State assistance eligibility

An important aspect of Jump Start is that income earned through the program does not affect a participants MDHHS benefits, including cash assistance, Medicaid, state emergency relief and food assistance/SNAP benefits.

"The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) is committed to providing easy access to public assistance benefits for Michiganders in need while removing any barriers to finding jobs," said Dwayne Haywood, senior deputy director of the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Economic Stability Administration. "Employment means better opportunities and allows the people we serve to be successful and realize their dreams. MDHHS is pleased to partner with Mayor Duggan and the City of Detroit on Project Jump Start because it's a great way to remove barriers to employment. While these Detroiters learn job skills, MDHHS will make sure that they are not penalized for improving themselves by providing for them to continue to access to safety net public assistance benefits."

Four upcoming Scholarship Fairs

To provide direct assistance to Detroiters wishing to enroll in any of these scholarship programs, Mayor Duggan announced a series of four Scholarship Fairs that will take place during the month of February (details available at www.detroitatwork.com):

- February 2 at Detroit At Work/Payne Pulliam, 18017 E. Warren, 10 AM – 2 PM
- February 9 at Detroit At Work/Northwest Activities Center, 18100 Meyers, 10 AM – 1PM
- February 16 at Boys and Girls Club, 16500 Tireman, 10 AM – 1 PM
- February 22 at Detroit At Work/Durfee Innovation Society, 2470 Collingwood, 10 AM – 1:30 PM

Several partner employers with employment opportunities will be in attendance at these fairs. In addition to scholarship opportunities, attendees also can access other support programs, such as Project Clean Slate if they need help getting a non-violent offense from at least five years ago expunged from their record if they've had no convictions since then.

World's SPECIAL Cultures
Guadalajara, México

Guadalajara, Jalisco, México

Guadalajara is the most important city in the west of Mexico, at the time it was known as the city of roses due to the number of rose bushes that were planted in its ridges, and its exquisite aroma of orange blossoms, due to the number of citrus trees planted on sidewalks, walkways, streets and avenues. The city held promise of growth and thriving industry. To this

day, the city unites 10 municipalities with its growing activity of interrelation. It is considered one of the must-see cities for tourism in Latin America and Mexico. By the beginning of the 21st century, the University of Guadalajara, with its effort to promote culture, fulfilled 14 years after the Guadalajara International Book Fair was considered the most important Spanish-speaking international fair in the world.

One of the initiatives of the city that changed the dynamics was the promotion of non-motorized mobility with projects such as the Vía Recreaactiva every Sunday and holidays. The Recreational route currently connects the East with the West of the city through the closure of main avenues of four municipalities of the Guadalajara Metropolitan Area for the exclusive use of recreation, whether by bicycle, on foot,

skates, devil skates, among other ways of transporting that are compatible with pedestrians.

Guadalajara has the Instituto Cultural Cabañas museum, where the murals of the well-known artist José Clemente Orozco are located, who made the mural El Hombre

Fuego, which is the only 360° painting in the world. This painting is appreciated with the ease of carrying out different appreciations depending on the point at which the viewer is located to observe it. Although, in the background we can see the Man of Fire, we may see him rising from the bottom, or falling. On the bottom banks are the men of the other elements: Earth, Water, Wind.

Guadalajara was founded on February 14, 1542, with the explorations to the west of the country, Nuño Beltrán de Guzmán along with his group of settlers were looking for a suitable land to pay homage to his land of origin in the province of Guadalajara, Spain. With this interest, the battle of its foundation was carried out,

although this was not one, but four, each one located in different localities, because one after another battle the Spanish lost against the pre-Columbian peoples. The unmissable food in Guadalajara is meat in its juice, for many of the Karnes Garibaldi, the restaurant with the Guinness award as the fastest restaurant in the world, where once the food is ordered from the waiter, it takes less than a minute to bring it to the table However, for many the recipe of the restaurant Kamilos 333 is even richer, besides being a place where time is wasted to spend the whole afternoon between beans and corn, onion, meat in its juice, tacos, and quesadillas. There are also unmissable Tortas ahogadas. let's not forget the traditional drinks: Michelada and Tejuino, and the innovative Chejuino: (tejuino with beer).

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ESPECIAL Culturas del mundo Guadalajara, México

Guadalajara, Jalisco, México

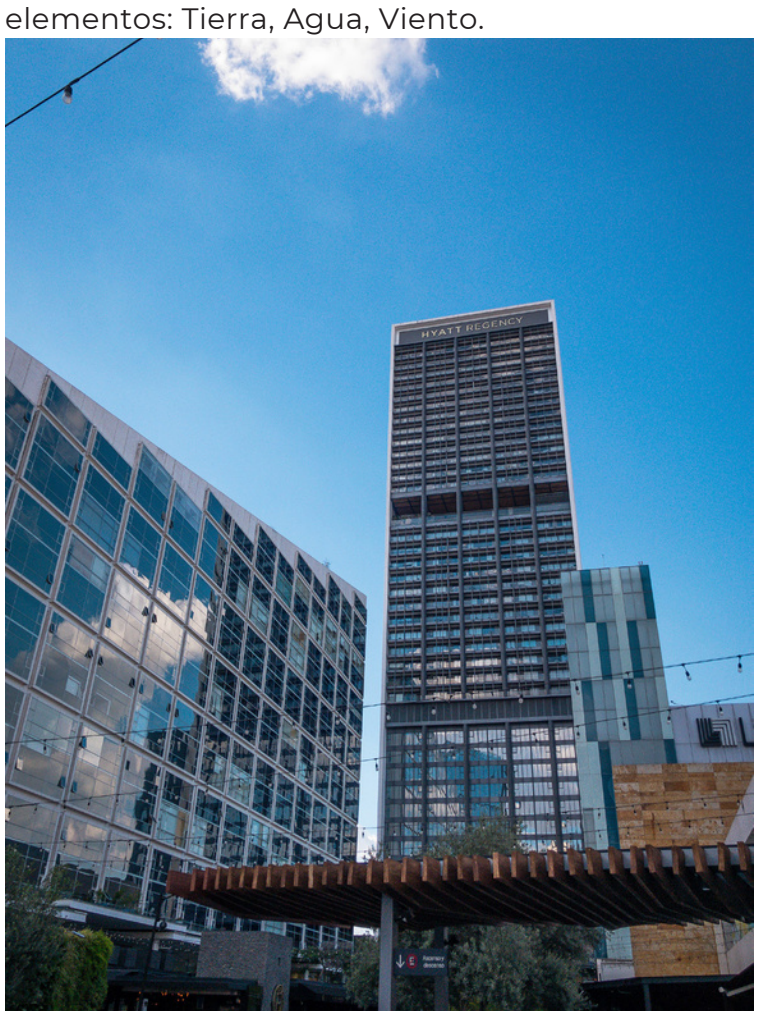
Guadalajara es la ciudad en el occidente de México más importante, en su momento fue conocida como la ciudad de las rosas debido a la cantidad de rosales que se sembraban en sus camellones, y su exquisito aroma a flores de azahar, debido a la cantidad de árboles cítricos sembrados en

banquetas, andadores, calles y avenidas. La ciudad era una promesa al crecimiento y la prosperante industria. Al día de hoy la ciudad une a 10 municipios con su creciente actividad de interrelación. Se le considera una de las ciudades imperdibles del turismo de Latinoamérica y México.Para inicios del siglo XXI, la Universidad de Guadalajara con su esfuerzo por la promoción de la cultura, logró que a 14 años de la Feria Internacional del Libro de Guadalajara fuera considerada como la feria internacional de habla hispana más importante del mundo.

Uno de las iniciativas de la ciudad que cambió la dinámica fue el fomento a la movilidad no motorizada con proyectos como la Vía Recreactiva cada Domingo y días festivos. La vía Recreactiva en la actualidad conecta el Oriente con el Poniente de la ciudad a través del cierre de avenidas principales de cuatro municipios del Área Metropolitana de Guadalajara para el uso exclusivo de recreación, ya sea en bicicleta, a pie, patines, patines del diablo, entre otras maneras de transportarse que sean compatibles con os peatones.

Guadalajara cuenta con el museo Instituto Cultural Cabañas, donde se ubican los murales del conocido artista Clemente Orózco, quien realizó el mural El Hombre Fuego, mismo que esla única pintura a 360° de todo el mundo. Esta pintura se aprecia con lafacilidad de llevar a cabo

diferentes apreciaciones dependiendo del punto en que se ubique el espectador para observarla. Si bien, en el fondo podemos ver al Hombre de Fuego, puede ser que lo veamos surgiendo desde el fondo, o cayendo. En las orilles de la parte inferior se ven los hombres de los otros elementos: Tierra, Agua, Viento.



Guadalajara fue fundada el 14 de febrero de 1542, con las exploraciones al accidente del país, Nuño Beltrán de Gúzman junto con su grupo de asentadores buscaban un terreno propicio para homenajear su tierra de origen en la provincia de Guadalajara, España. Con este interés se llevaron a cabo la batalla de su fundación, aunque ésta no fue una, sino cuatro, ubicadas cada una en diferentes localidades, debido a que una tras otra batalla la perdían los españoles contra los pueblos precolombinos.

La comida imperdible de Guadalajara es la carne en su jugo, para muchos las Karens garibaldi, el restaurante con el premio Guiness como el restaurante más rápido del mundo, donde un avez ordenada la comidas mesero, tarde menos de un minuto en traerla a la mesa. Sin embargo, para muchos la receta del restaurante Kamilos 333 es aún más rico, además de ser un lugar donde el tiempo se pierde para pasar toda la tarde entre frijoles con elote, cebollitas, carne en su jugo, tacos y quesadillas. También están las imperdibles Tortas ahogadas. No olvidemos a las bebidas tradicionalesÑ Michelada y Tejuino, uy la innovadora Chejuino: (tejuino con cerveza).

Espera nuestro Especial Semanal

CULTURAS LATINOAMERICANAS,

by Mariana Ayón RV

$100 millones en becas de capacitación

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Los $ 100 millones en becas están disponibles en las siguientes cinco categorías, que están diseñadas para apoyar a las personas, sin importar en qué etapa de su carrera se encuentren:

1. Becas Jump Start. La inscripción se abrió el martes 31 de enero para este nuevo programa de becas que se ofrece a cualquier residente de Detroit que haya estado desempleado durante al menos los últimos seis meses. Las becas son para los programas Learn to Earn y High School Degree, y cualquier capacitación a tiempo parcial. Entre los ingresos pagados y los estipendios para los gastos de manutención, el programa paga el equivalente a casi $20 por hora, lo que se considera un salario digno. La semana pasada, el alcalde Duggan anunció 18 organizaciones comunitarias asociadas que se comprometerán directamente con los residentes desempleados a largo plazo para conectarlos con estos programas y brindarles orientación en el camino.

Los IDO serán los encargados de inscribir a los desempleados de Detroit a largo plazo en el programa Jump Start del alcalde financiado por ARPA. Cada uno tendrá la tarea de identificar a los residentes de los vecindarios en los que ya están trabajando e inscribirlos en programas de educación o capacitación. También entrenarán y asesorarán a cada participante, monitorearán su progreso e identificarán posibles barreras para el éxito a lo largo del programa.

Los IDO participantes también serán elegibles para incentivos basados en el desempeño de hasta $2.200 por participante para cada vía del programa. A medida que cada cliente de IDO culmine su programa, el IDO recibirá un incentivo financiero.

"En el Programa Jump Start, los participantes tienen un incentivo financiero por la realización de un buen trabajo y el éxito logrado, al igual que los IDO que los ayudarán en el camino", dijo el alcalde Duggan. "Realmente creemos que este enfoque dará como resultado que muchos habitantes de Detroit que habían dejado de intentar encontrar trabajo se encaminen hacia un empleo remunerado que pueda sostenerlos".

"Saber por dónde empezar cuando se encuentra listo para ingresar al mercado laboral puede ser difícil, especialmente para las personas que han estado fuera de la fuerza laboral por un tiempo", dijo Nicole Sherard-Freeman, quien se desempeña como Ejecutiva del área de Empleo y Economía de la Alcaldía de Detroit. "Para ser mejores al acompañar a nuestros residentes, estamos llevando las asociaciones centradas en la comunidad al siguiente nivel. Una red más sólida y con apoyo financiero de organizaciones comunitarias de base que tengan relaciones duraderas en nuestros vecindarios será el próximo paso para poder llevar a miles de habitantes de Detroit hacia un mejor trabajo o una nueva carrera".

2. Aprenda a Ganar Becas. Los residentes que actualmente se encuentran por debajo del octavo grado de educación básica en cuanto a nivel de lectura, pueden recibir un pago de $10 por hora hasta 20 horas por semana ($800 por mes) para mejorar sus habilidades de lectura. Los horarios son flexibles y están disponibles en las noches y los fines de semana, así como en persona y en línea. Los estudiantes suelen aumentar sus habilidades de lectura en 2 grados durante 14 semanas. Los residentes desempleados durante los últimos seis meses también son elegibles para otra beca Jump Start de $300 por mes.

> La inscripción para el programa Jump Start de $40 millones ya está abierta en DetroitAtWork.com o 313-962-WORK y a través de 18 organizaciones comunitarias asociadas

3. Becas para título de Escuela Secundaria. Cualquier residente de Detroit que estaba programado para graduarse en 2018 o antes puede recibir un pago de $ 10 por hora por hasta 20 horas por semana ($ 800 por mes) para obtener su diploma o GED. Esto puede ayudar a abrir la puerta a muchos trabajos bien remunerados que tienen un requisito de educación secundaria. Los horarios son flexibles y están disponibles en las noches y los fines de semana, así como en persona y en línea. ¡Más de 100 becarios del programa ya se han graduado! Los residentes desempleados durante los últimos seis meses también son elegibles para otra beca Jump Start de $300 por mes.

4. Becas de Habilidades para la Vida. Será contratado por la ciudad y con un pago de $ 15/hora por tres días de trabajo a la semana y dos días de clase. Las oportunidades de trabajo incluyen Cuidado de Parques, Limpieza de Vecindarios, Visitas casa por casa. El trabajo en el aula incluye oportunidades de capacitación en una variedad de carreras, que incluyen puestos de conductor de camión (CDL), operador de equipo pesado, tecnologías de la información, oficios especializados y atención médica. Estas carreras tienen salarios iniciales que van desde $ 17- $25 por hora. Hoy en día, la ciudad tiene más de 200 becarios de Habilidades para la vida a los que se les paga a tiempo completo por su trabajo y capacitación. La formación dura de tres meses a un año, dependiendo del campo.

5. 50 Becas de diversa Formación Profesional. La Ciudad ofrece 20 programas de capacitación pagados y 30 no pagados, ofrecidos sin costo alguno para los participantes. Los programas de capacitación se ofrecen para profesiones que tienen alta demanda, que incluyen atención médica, tecnologías de la información, hostelería, transporte y logística, oficios especializados y más. Cada programa de capacitación se detalla en una nueva guía profesional de Detroit at Work, disponible en DetroitAtWork.com/guide.

Los ingresos por capacitación no afectarán la elegibilidad para la asistencia estatal

Un aspecto importante de Jump Start es que los ingresos obtenidos a través del programa no afectan los beneficios de MDHHS de los participantes, incluida la asistencia en efectivo, Medicaid, ayuda de emergencia estatal y asistencia alimentaria/beneficios de SNAP.

"El Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos de Michigan (MDHHS, por sus siglas en inglés) se compromete a proporcionar un fácil acceso a los beneficios de asistencia pública para los habitantes de Michigan que lo necesiten y, al mismo tiempo, eliminar cualquier barrera para encontrar trabajo", dijo Dwayne Haywood, subdirector sénior del Departamento de Salud, Servicios Humanos, Administración y Estabilidad Económica de Michigan. "El empleo significa mejores oportunidades y permite que las personas a las que servimos tengan éxito y realicen sus sueños. MDHHS se complace en asociarse con el alcalde Duggan y la ciudad de Detroit en el Proyecto Jump Start porque es una excelente manera de eliminar las barreras del empleo. Mientras estos habitantes de Detroit aprenden habilidades laborales, el MDHHS se asegurará de que no sean sancionados por mejorar, brindándoles el acceso a los beneficios de asistencia pública de la red de seguridad".

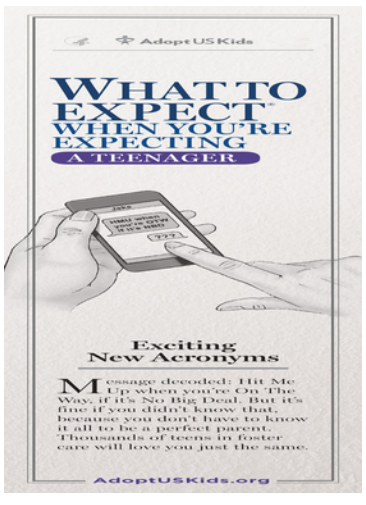
Traducción por Carmen Elena Luna

Correction:

EL CENTRAL printed information in last week's issue that the City of Detroit's Housing and Revitalization Department (HRD) would like to correct.

In the La Joya Gardens article, it would be more accurate to say that the developers are in the process of closing on the financing for the project.

In the story about the expansion of the LeadSafe Program, eligible households are currently only in Zip codes 48209, 48210 and 48217. Residents seeking more information should call HRD at 313-224-6380 for English and 313-498-2305 for Spanish.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Detroit Red Wings Alumni Games At Clark Park

The Detroit Red Wings Alumni will be playing in two charity outdoor hockey games at Clark Park this weekend, February 4 and 5, to raise funds for the Clark Park Coalition. Tickets are $5 per person.

The game on Saturday, February 4th at 6pm will feature the Detroit Red Wings Alumni vs Ram Truck with special guest Detroit Tiger alum Craig Monroe dropping the puck.

Sunday, February 5th at 1pm features the Red Wings Alumni vs UAW Local 600 with special guest Braylon Edwards, former NFL and U of M football player. The games are part of the Frozen Fish Fiasco hockey fundraiser event. Go to www.facebook.com/FrozenFishFiasco for more information.

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Detroit Grand Prix Unveils Indy Car Detroit Art Installation

Scale Model Indy Cars Designed by Detroit Students to be Placed in Neighborhoods Across the City

Photos provided by the Detroit Grand Prix

Focused on strengthening its roots in the local community with this summer's return to the Streets of Detroit, the Chevrolet Detroit Grand Prix presented by Lear proudly unveiled its INDYCAR Art Installation powered by PPG on Monday, January 30. The unique community art program showcases the creative talent and vision from Detroit Public Schools Community District (DPSCD) students, while ensuring the Grand Prix has a colorful and consistent presence in each of the seven districts across the City of Detroit leading into race weekend in the Motor City, June 2-4.

In the fall, high school students from nine DPSCD schools – East English Village Preparatory Academy at Finney, Osborn High School, Western International Academy, Martin Luther King Jr. Senior High School, Cody High School, Renaissance High School, Mumford High School, Cass Tech High School and Henry Ford High School – were provided with a blank canvas – a 1/16th scale model Indy Car mounted on a base, along with paint and art materials supplied by long-time Detroit Grand Prix partners PPG Industries. The Grand Prix and PPG asked the students to design the liveries on their individual Indy Car models – created by the Detroit Prop Art Factory – with an artistic theme representing their school, their neighborhoods, the Grand Prix or the City of Detroit.

The nine unique and creative student-designed models were unveiled this week at Henry Ford High School in Detroit. With the support of Detroit City Council, the Grand Prix will be placing all nine of the car models in select neighborhood locations across each district in the city including local businesses, recreation centers, art galleries and community gathering spots. Following display in each individual district in Detroit over the next several months, all student-designed car models will be available for bid during a special online auction in May. The proceeds from each auctioned design model will benefit the City of Detroit Office of Arts, Culture and Entrepreneurship and their work to support local artists while developing creative programming across the City.

"The Grand Prix INDYCAR Art Installation powered by PPG is a great opportunity for our event to connect with our local communities and help build excitement with City of Detroit residents about the Grand Prix's return to the Streets of Downtown Detroit," said Bud Denker, Chairman of the Chevrolet Detroit Grand Prix presented by Lear. "We are proud of how this initiative shines the spotlight on Detroit Public Schools Community District students and their artistic talent as we continue to work with our partners within each district and community in the City. We want to thank PPG for their support of this important community program and we thank all the participating schools and their students, along with Detroit City Council, for their dedication to bringing this to life."

The Art Installation includes a car designed by renowned Detroit artist Phil Simpson – known for his distinct smile art throughout the city – and all 10 Indy Car art models were unveiled during the event at Henry Ford High School. Students representing all of the participating high schools were in attendance, along with representatives from Detroit City Council, the Detroit Public Schools Community District and executives from both PPG Industries and the Grand Prix.

"PPG is proud to support the Detroit Grand Prix INDYCAR Art Installation and what it brings to the City and the students in Detroit," said Tracy Calkins of PPG. "PPG loves to bring color and vibrance to local communities and this installation showcases the artistic talent of the youth in Detroit and celebrates our continued partnership with the Chevrolet Detroit Grand Prix presented by Lear."

Tickets are on sale now for the 2023 Chevrolet Grand Prix presented by Lear, hosted on the new 1.7-mile street circuit in Downtown Detroit, June 2-4. Ticket sales are more than 80% ahead of pace from previous years and fans are encouraged to purchase their seats and passes as soon as possible. To purchase tickets and to learn more about the 2023 Chevrolet Detroit Grand Prix presented by Lear, please visit www.DetroitGP.com.

District 6 Designed by Western International Academy
Community placement at Kemeny Recreation Center, 2260 S. Fort Street in Detroit
The students at Western chose to represent the rich history of murals in Southwest Detroit in their car design. The students researched both local murals, as well as Mexican muralism, to create the final artwork on their Indy Car model.

District 1 Designed by Henry Ford High School
Community Placement at Norwest Art Gallery, 19556 Grand River Ave. in Detroit
A total of 24 student artists divided into small groups and brainstormed ideas they felt were relevant to young people in their community. The students then individually developed sketches for the final design. Together, the entire class agreed that the message they wanted to communicate through their design was "Life is tough, but we stand STRONG!" The imagery on the car portrays a beautiful life being unwrapped, despite the hands of evil constantly pulling in opposition. The design emphasizes the power of community and the strength of Detroiters. The model also incorporates elements that represent the home (Henry Ford High School-District 1) of the students that designed this specific INDYCAR piece of art.

Cajun Beef Casserole

Ingredients

• 1 (8.5-ounce) package cornbread/muffin mix
• 1 pound ground beef
• 2 (14.5-ounce) cans diced tomatoes, drained
• 2 cups frozen mixed vegetables, thawed
• 1 (6-ounce) can tomato paste
• 1-2 teaspoons Cajun seasoning, plus more to taste
• 1 cup cheddar cheese, shredded
• 2 green onions, thinly sliced

Directions

Ready In:
40 minutes
Step 1 -
Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F.
Step 2 -
Grease a 7x11-inch baking dish.
Step 3 -
Prepare the cornbread batter according to the package directions.
Step 4 -
Spread the batter in the prepared baking dish.
Step 5 -
In a large skillet, cook the beef over medium heat until it is no longer pink, about 5-7 minutes.
Step 6 -
Drain the fat from the skillet.
Step 7 -
Add the tomatoes, the mixed vegetables, the tomato paste, and the Cajun seasoning to the beef and bring the mixture to a boil.
Step 8 -
Reduce the heat and simmer the beef mixture, uncovered, for 5 minutes.
Step 9 -
Pour the beef mixture over the cornbread batter.
Step 10 -
Sprinkle the beef mixture with the cheese.
Step 11 -
Bake, uncovered, until the top of the casserole is golden-brown and the cheese has melted, about 25-30 minutes.
Step 12 -
Sprinkle the casserole with the onions and serve.

Chicken and Broccoli Stir-Fry

Ingredients

• 1 pound chicken breasts, boneless and skinless, cubed
• 3 scallions, white parts only, thinly sliced on a bias
• 2 tablespoons sugar
• 1 tablespoon dark sesame oil
• 1 tablespoon dry sherry
• 1 tablespoon soy sauce
• 2 cloves garlic, minced, divided
• 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon cornstarch
• kosher salt, to taste
• freshly ground black pepper, to taste
• 1/3 cup plus 2 tablespoons water, plus more to taste, divided
• 3 tablespoons vegetable oil, divided
• 5-6 cups broccoli florets and sliced stalks, keep the 2 cuts separate
• 1-inch piece fresh ginger, peeled and minced
red chili flakes, optional, to taste
• 1 tablespoon hoisin sauce
• jasmine rice, optional, to taste, cooked, for serving
• toasted sesame seeds, optional, to taste, for serving

Directions

Ready In:
30 minutes
Step 1 -
In a medium bowl, toss the chicken with the scallion whites, the sugar, the sesame oil, the sherry, the soy sauce, 1/2 of the garlic, 1 teaspoon of the cornstarch, the salt, and the pepper.
Step 2 -
Allow the chicken to marinate at room temperature for 15 minutes.
Step 3 -
While the chicken marinates, in a small bowl, mix the remaining cornstarch and 1/3 cup of the water together and reserve.
Step 4 -
In large nonstick skillet over high heat, heat 1 tablespoon of the oil.
Step 5 -
Add the broccoli stems to the oil and stir-fry for 30 seconds.
Step 6 -
Add the florets, the remaining garlic, the ginger, the remaining water, the salt, and the black pepper to the broccoli stem mixture and stir-fry until the broccoli is bright green but still crisp, about 2 minutes.
Step 7 -
Transfer the broccoli mixture to a plate.
Step 8 -
To the same skillet, add the remaining oil, the marinated chicken, and the red chili flakes and stir-fry until the chicken loses its raw color and starts to brown, about 3 minutes.
Step 9 -
Add the hoisin sauce and the broccoli mixture into the skillet with the chicken mixture. Toss to heat through.
Step 10 -
Stir the reserved cornstarch mixture into the stir-fry mixture.
Step 11 -
Bring the stir-fry mixture to a boil and cook until the sauce has thickened. If the sauce needs to be thinner, add more of the water.
Step 12 -
Taste the stir-fry and season with the salt and the pepper, if needed.
Step 13 -
Divide the rice among 4 plates, top with the stir-fry, and sprinkle with the sesame seeds.
Step 14 -
Serve.

ENTRETENIMIENTO

Las primeras fotos de la boda de Marc Anthony y Nadia Ferreira, un cuento de hadas hecho realidad

La tarde noche de este sábado 28 de enero de 2023, Marc Anthony y Nadia Ferreira se convirtieron en marido y mujer, al celebrar la boda del año, la cual convocó a grandes personalidades del mundo del entretenimiento, la política, los negocios y el deporte internacional.

El encuentro nupcial es el cuarto matrimonio para Marc Anthony, y el primero para Nadia Ferreira, la paraguaya con la que el boricua destapó su tórrido noviazgo en marzo de 2022, hace apenas 10 meses.

Aunque el 2023 apenas comienza, es un hecho que la boda de Marc Anthony y Nadia Ferreira es la boda del año y es que la crema y nata de la sociedad internacional se ha dado cita en Perez Art Museum (PAMM) de Miami, Florida, para ver caminar al altar al cantante y la ex reina de belleza.

Según las crónicas que Gabriela Cortés y Andrea Pérz, testigos oculares que escribieron en exclusiva para la revista 'Hola!', en español e inglés, respectivamente, el nuevo matrimonio de Marc Anthony contó con la presencia de Victoria y David Beckham como padrinos de la boda; así como la de Carlos Slim, el hombre más rico de México; Luis Abinader, presidente de República Dominicana, y la exsenadora y ex primera dama estadounidense, Hilary Clinton.

En tanto, entre los invitados pertenecientes al mundo de la música de esta fiesta de bodas destacan Romeo Santos, Daddy Yankee, Luis Fonsi y Maluma, el cual invitó a Marc Anthony y Nadia a su fiesta de 29 años anoche. El cine también se hizo presente en este evento, con la presencia de Lin Manuel Miranda y Salma Hayek.

Acerca de cómo fue el vestido de novia Nadia Ferreira, 'Hola!' precisa que la primera finalista de Miss Universo 2021 usó un ajuar diseñado por Galia Lahav, lujosa casa de modas que también confeccionó los vestidos de novia que Jennifer Lopez, la exesposa de Marc Anthony, llevó en 'Shotgut Wedding', su más reciente película. Por su parte, el novio portó un traje de Christian Dior.

Mientras Nadia Ferreira estuvo acompañada en su boda por Ludy Ferreira, su madre, se sabe, según datos vertidos por Gabriela Cortés, que Marc Anthony contó con la presencia en primera fila de su padre, don Felipe Muñiz, así como de Ryan y Cristian Muñiz, los dos hijos que tuvo con su primera esposa, la ex Miss Universo Dayanara Torres.

Felicidades a Marc Anthony y Nadia Ferreira, ¡vivan los novios!

Laura Bozzo estrena podcast para empoderar a las mujeres y alejarlas de la violencia

Laura Bozzo, quien reveló que padece del síndrome de 'Peter Pan', está de manteles largos gracias a que acaba de estrenar su podcast '¡Que pase el desgraciado!', una producción basada en el empoderamiento femenino y en el bienestar de las mujeres.

La famosa comentó en entrevista para 'MezcalTV' que, por el momento, la famosa no está interesada en encontrar su media naranja, sino que prefiere enfocarse en ella y en sus proyectos, como el podcast.

Y, en relación a este tema, la conductora peruana mencionó, "Van a encontrar muchas veces parte de sus vidas, donde les vamos a dar consejos, qué hacer frente a diferentes temas, como empoderar a la mujer, como una mujer debe cortar todo tipo de violencia. Van a encontrar muchas cosas nuevas y todos los temas de actualidad".

Eagles And Chiefs To Play In Super Bowl !!!

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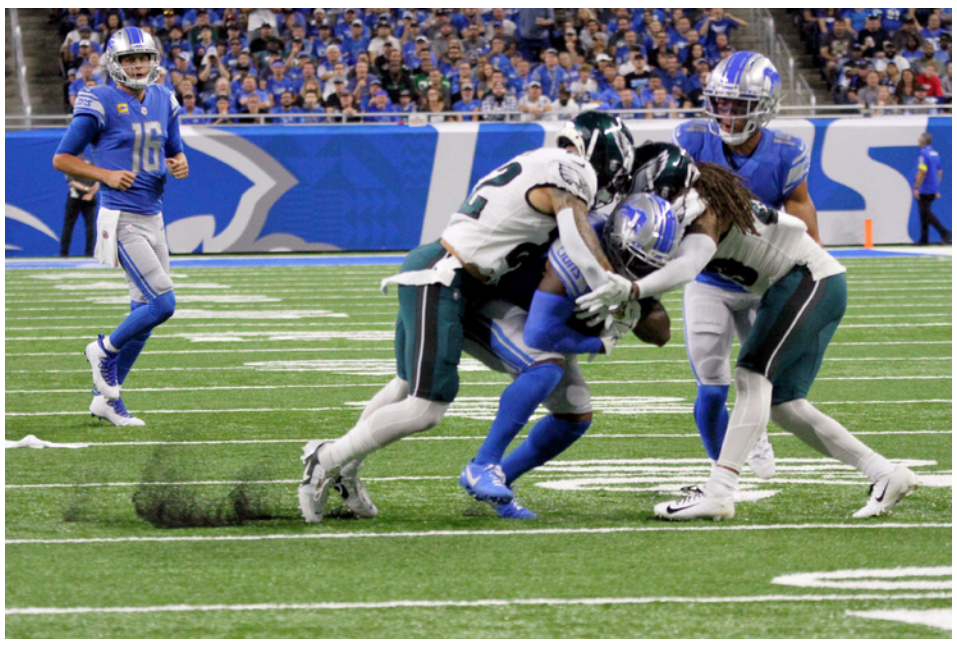
This past Sunday, the final two teams have punched their tickets, to the Super Bowl. Super Bowl LVII (57), will take place, at State Farm Stadium, in Glendale, AZ, as the Kansas City Chiefs take on the Philadelphia Eagles, on Sunday, February 12th, at 6:30 pm (FOX). The Eagles have only won one Super Bowl, in 2017, when they defeated the New England Patriots. The Chiefs last won the Super Bowl in 2020, and were defeated in the 2021 Super Bowl by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. This will be a historic Super Bowl, as both quarterbacks, Jalen Hurts (Eagles) and Patrick Mahomes (Chiefs) are African American, and is the first time in Super Bowl history. Photos by: Dan Graschuck/ EL CENTRAL.

Photos below are highlights from the Philadelphia Eagles vs. Detroit Lions during the 2022 season

Eagles QB #1 Jalen Hurts sets to throw against Lions



Eagles defense stopping Lions play

Eagles offense scoring touchdown against the Lions

Eagles RB #26 Miles Sanders trying to make a play against Lions defense

Eagles QB #1 Jalen Hurts reading Lions defense. This will be Jalen Hurts first trip to the Super Bowl

Eagles DE #55 Brandon Graham. Graham went to Detroit Crockett High School and is a graduate from the University of Michigan Wolverines

US MEN START NEW CYCLE

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Results in January friendlies have never been important. For the men's national team, these camps are typically about casting a wide net to find players who may have been overlooked or find up and coming players who just need a chance to be in front of the coaches. This year's camp was the shortest in memory, barely eight days. The team played two games, a 2-1 loss to Serbia and a 0-0 draw with Colombia. At least the games entertained. The US played with a speed and intensity not normally seen during these games, because they fall at the beginning of the MLS preseason.

Because most of the players are just at the start of preseason, the staff managed playing time and pre-planned substitutions to spread the minutes around the roster. For such a short camp with out of season players, the two starting teams showed a reasonable amount of cohesion. It was good to see the intensity, too. That was a surprise given the current state of the men's program. Coach Gregg Berhalter's contract ended on December 31. Given the current investigation into a 32 year old domestic incident, it's unlikely he will return. Before the camp started, General Manager Brian McBride announced his departure. Then, between the two friendlies, Technical Director Earnie Stewart announced he will be returning to the Netherlands to take up an executive position with PSV Eindhoven. It all means that now Interim Head Coach Anthony Hudson will report directly to the top of US Soccer, Cindy Parlow Cone, and will do so until some new executives are hired. Hudson looks likely to retain his position through the CONCACAF Gold Cup this summer.

Hudson's track record as a head coach doesn't have any successes on it and his first two attempts with the national team didn't change that. He did play a lot of kids in the two games. Twelve players made their international debuts. Not all will return in the future, but there were a few who played like they have a chance, if they want it. Alejandro Zendejas came into camp for the first time on the heels of a strong fall season with Club America. The Mexican-American forward has been the subject of a football tug-of-war between the two CONCACAF giants. The US has the upper hand, because he played for the US at the U-17 World Cup. He had a quiet first sixty minutes against Serbia, but came to life after Hudson made a few personnel changes. He showed some superb control the ball, but showed energy, grit, and good accuracy with his left and determination. The next few foot. Having played with the months with Eintracht Frankfurt core of the current generation should do him some good.

of US internationals in youth Then, he can go to the U-20 programs, will help him if he is World Cup in a better physical called and accepts a call for the condition. Tolkin has a chance competitive games in March and of sticking, because he plays left over the summer.back and is fearless playing left

Another Mexican-American back. The Red Bulls product is showed some tempting skills, just a few months too old for too. FC Cincinnati forward the U-20 team, but is a serious Brandon Vazquez scored a contender for the Olympics in well taken goal against Serbia, 2024.

flicking a cross from fellow Goalkeeper Gabriel "Gaga" debutant Julian Gressel past Slonina had a solid game against the goalkeeper. He's strong, Serbia. He has to work on his relatively mobile for his size, foot skills, but no doubt he will and a threat on set pieces. He be doing that while training with will have to work on his linking Chelsea before the inevitable play and finishing, because he loan that all Chelsea signees missed other chances that should go through. It was unfortunate have been more dangerous. that Roman Celentano of When he came on as a substitute FC Cincinnati didn't get any against Colombia, he failed to minutes during the camp, but impact the game. With the US Hudson decided to reward searching for a center forward veteran Sean Johnson with the who can score regularly at the full game against Colombia. international level, it's likely he While the inexperienced

will get more chances.players gave the team a number Among the youngsters, Cade of bright spots, a couple of Cowell, Paxten Aaronson, and veterans showed preseason John Tolkin showed they could rust. Aaron Long hasn't been be of use in the future. Cowell the same since his Achilles had a great game against Serbia. injury. The Red Bulls passed He took players on without fear on re-signing him, so he and made things happen. He hit joined LAFC. He gave the ball the post twice in a five minute away multiple times against span after terrific dribbles Colombia, putting the team through the defense. Aaronson under unnecessary pressure. played against Colombia and Walker Zimmerman didn't

found the physicality hard to command the back line like a handle. He was dispossessed player who started games at the several times while dawdling on World Cup. Kellyn Acosta's set piece deliveries were decent, but his midfield play lacked imagination and crisp passing. All three are in preseason, so some rust is expected, but they didn't appear to lead on the field as expected. For the group as a whole, there are much more important games coming. Before Hudson calls up a roster for the March CONCACAF Nations League games, they will have MLS regular season games and for some CONCACAF Champions League games. Also, the Seattle Sounders didn't release any players for camp as they prepare for the FIFA World Club Cup which begins this week.

With these two friendlies, the US men's team has taken its first tentative steps towards the 2026 World Cup. There is no full time coach, no executive leadership, and no direction. It's not a convincing start. After the failure to qualify for Russia 2018, US Soccer took a year to have a coach in place. For this cycle, the time to prepare is much shorter, just three and a half years and already the USA will lose the first eight months. The first FIFA window a new coach will have is not until September. Valuable time is being lost. Cindy Cone and the rest of US Soccer have to get this cycle going before the confusion starts to affect the full national team.

DCFC Mens 2023 Schedule

The Detroit City FC Mens start their 2023 season on the road, at the travel to Torero Stadium, to take on the San Diego Loyal SC, on Saturday, March 11th. The Detroit City FC Mens home opener at Keyworth Stadium, in Hamtramck, MI, will be on Saturday, March 25th as they host the Indy Eleven.

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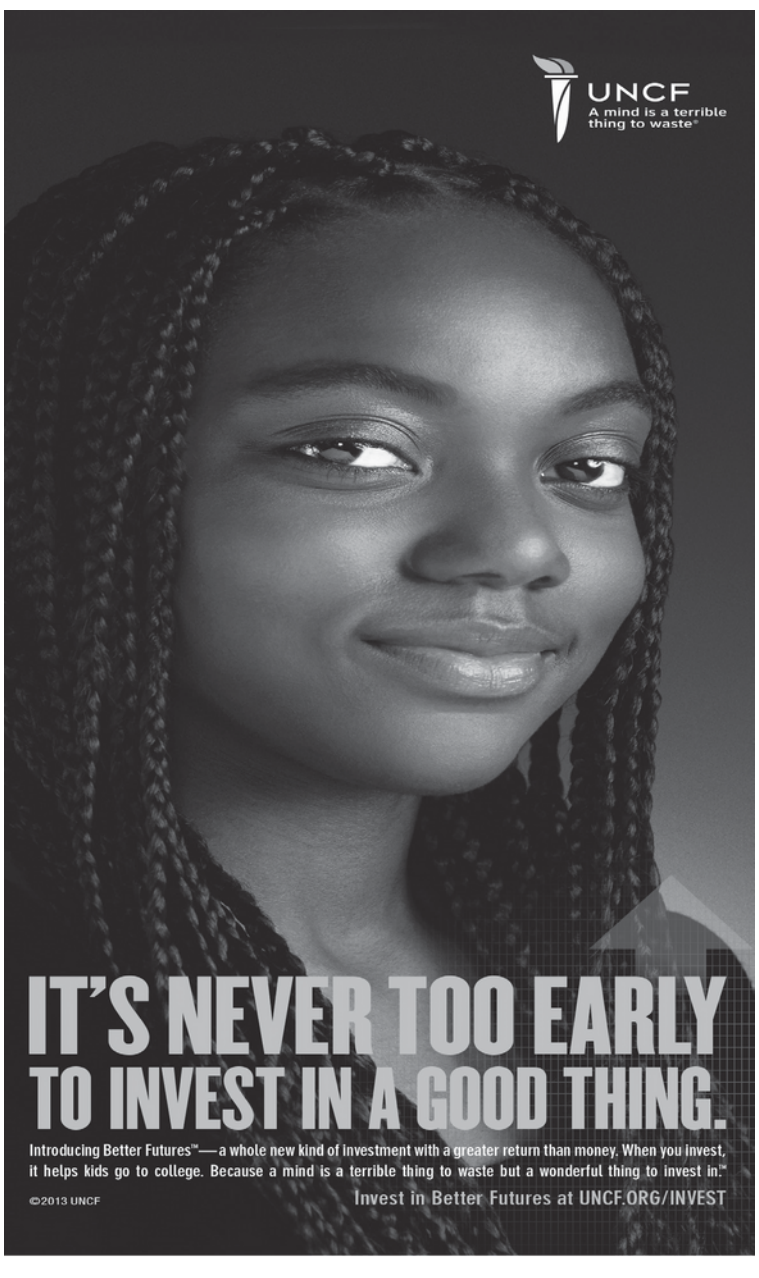
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EDITORIAL OPINION

"Mexicans Destined for Another Dictatorship?"

By Raoul Lowery Contreras

When a country attacks another, neighboring countries should organize themselves into an alliance to stop the rogue. When, however, a country's government attacks its own country, neighbors must not only pay attention, they must do something besides helplessly witnessing the death of their neighbor.

Mexico is our next-door neighbor. It has 126 million people within its borders with the U.S., Guatemala and Belize. Mexico's enemies are not on its border. Mexico's enemies are in the Presidency.

"Narcos" – AKA home-grown enemies are active in most Mexican states; movie fans of "Narco" movies can identify states like Sinaloa as hotbeds of drug cartels and their leaders despite not finding them on a map. In some states, like Michoacan, cartels actually control wide swatches of land with villages and villagers living under cartel leaders who operate under total impunity.

These enemies of Mexico can be local heroes who treat the Mexican serf with gifts, bribes to police officers and government officials. They also do not fear the federal government of President Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador (AMLO) who genuflects to the drug lords and ordered the release of a Sinaloa drug lord, the son of the infamous "El Chapo), from custody because AMLO was "saving lives" of non-criminal people.

The cartels' officers had ordered their "pistoleros" to attack local police and collateral damage "narcos" with "assault weapons" can do. AMLO personally greeted the cartel leader's aging mother in front of cameras and many people.

AMLO's behavior is important because he and his political party achichincles --"hacks"-- that work as political appointees are the second corps of enemies of Mexico.

AMLO, who won the Presidency on his third try, is attacking his country's successful election commission, the INE – National Electoral Institute, the very independent agency that staged the election of 2018 and announced the winner – AMLO – himself.

He says of the next presidential election 17 months from now, "How is the election going to be put at risk? It is them (the INE) who have put the election at risk; it has always been them... Aren't they the ones who allow the stuffing of ballot boxes. Are not the electoral authorities who steal the ballots? Are not the electoral authorities the ones who allow the buying of votes? Aren't they the ones who gave registration to candidates for the presidency who did not meet the requirements because the president at the times asked them to? What they want is to continue attacking us."

It must be remembered that 126 million Mexicans will experience the largest ever Election in 2024 that includes the Presidency, 31 state elections with 8 governorships, plus voting for the lower house of the congress, the Mexican Senate and 1,596 mayors.

AMLO's plan (b) is to restrict his new "less corrupt," more efficient and more properly financed electoral agency by closing INE offices from 300 to 264 and to slash the agency's budget by 3.5 BILLION pesos and firing thousands of nationwide staff. Cutting the INE's current oversight over candidates will disappear. AMLO even wants not-so-independent vote counters on government or his own party payrolls to count the votes in 2024.

If AMLO gets his "Plan B" through the Mexican Supreme Court we can name the winner of the Mexican Presidency to be AMLO's personally-picked candidate just like we could under the old PRI, the very same party that nurtured AMLO from his first gofer job to Mexico's elected leader.

If President Lopez Obrador gets his way, Mexico will die at the hands of his MORENA party that will never allow a free election, ever, like the ones that elected Vicente Fox (2000), Felipe Calderon (2006), Enrique Pena Nieto (2012) and Lopez Obrador himself (2018.)

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What to Know About the Future of Cancer Treatment

(StatePoint) For many patients, initial cancer treatments are not enough, and residual cancer cells that survive these treatments can cause relapse. But new research is seeking to harness the immune system to target residual disease, thereby helping patients avoid relapses and live longer.

"Using a novel mechanism of action that directly targets the cancerous cells, we are hoping to enhance the ability of NK cells – that is natural killer cells – to eliminate residual disease," says RJ Tesi, MD, CEO of INmune Bio Inc., (NASDAQ: INMB), a clinical stage immuno-oncology company. "NK cells are part of our innate immune system and are essential for survival. In addition to directly killing infected cells and cancer cells, NK cells facilitate crosstalk between the innate and adaptive immune system."

As Dr. Tesi goes on to explain, NK cells play a critical role in killing cancer cells that remain after such treatments as surgery, radiation, and chemotherapy. While modern cancer therapies can effectively eliminate most cancer in a patient, to eliminate all cancer cells, the patient's immune system needs to do its part and kill the residual disease. When cancer cells evade NK cells by making themselves effectively invisible, the immune system can't identify them and therefore can't kill them. This failure of the immune system to eliminate residual disease is the cause of cancer relapse.

INKmune, INmune Bio Inc.'s lead product, activates resting NK cells into a primed state to kill cancer. Currently in clinical trials, this therapy is already showing promising results. INKmune-primed NK cells have demonstrated an ability to kill several types of cancer cells. To learn more, visit inmunebio.com.

"Chemotherapy and radiotherapy reduce the tumor burden, but are not always curative alone," says Dr. Tesi. "To eradicate the disease and turn cancer relapsers into survivors, we also need an effective immune response to control residual cancer cells left behind after primary treatment."

Enfrentar la epidemia de muertes en nuestras comunidades por sobredosis de drogas

(StatePoint) A medida que la epidemia de sobredosis y muerte por drogas de Estados Unidos continúa afectando a comunidades de todos los tamaños y en todos los rincones del país, han surgido nuevos desafíos.

Según los Centros de Control y Prevención de Enfermedades de los Estados Unidos, en 2021 murieron por sobredosis relacionadas con drogas más de 107,000 personas, la mayor parte de las cuales fueron por fentanilo fabricado de modo ilegal, que aparece en pastillas falsas, metanfetamina y cocaína.

Desde su fundación en 2014, el Grupo de Trabajo sobre el Uso de Sustancias y la Atención al Dolor de la American Medical Association (AMA) ha reunido a sociedades médicas y médicos en ejercicio para desarrollar y poner en práctica estrategias que puedan ayudar a acabar con esta epidemia. Las recomendaciones del grupo de trabajo incluyen instar a los médicos a mejorar su educación, así como abogar por una atención integral para los pacientes que sufren dolor y para aquellos con trastorno por consumo de sustancias. La AMA también insta encarecidamente a los estados para que actualicen las leyes de modo que la naloxona, el medicamento usado para revertir la sobredosis de opioides, esté más fácilmente disponible, para que despenalicen las tiras reactivas de fentanilo y emprendan otras iniciativas de reducción de daños destinadas a salvar vidas por sobredosis.

Cuando se trata de ayudar a los pacientes con trastorno por consumo de sustancias (SUD), a fin de que lleven vidas satisfactorias y productivas, la ciencia muestra lo que funciona: medicamentos recetados por un médico o dispensados en centros especiales de tratamiento de opioides, combinados con asesoramiento conductual y otros servicios.

A pesar de ciertas tendencias positivas y una ciencia clara, de los 40.3 millones de personas en todo el país que sufren un trastorno por consumo de sustancias, el 93% no recibe tratamiento, según funcionarios federales. Un informe de 2022 del Departamento de Trabajo de los Estados Unidos descubrió que las compañías de seguros de salud infringen comúnmente las leyes estatales y federales diseñadas para proporcionar cobertura a los trastornos por uso de sustancias y enfermedades mentales. Las compañías de seguros de salud también siguen levantando barreras para el acceso a medicamentos para los trastornos por uso de opioides (MOUD) y les deniegan atención a los pacientes con dolor, o la hacen tan costosa que los pacientes no pueden acceder a ella.

"Ninguna comunidad se ha librado, ni se librará, del dolor de esta epidemia. Las crecientes cifras de mortalidad - con los jóvenes y los estadounidenses negros y morenos muriendo a las tasas de más rápido crecimiento - agregan todavía otro llamado urgente para eliminar las inequidades de salud en el sistema de atención médica. Sabemos que los responsables de la formulación de políticas no han agotado todos los recursos. Hasta que lo hayamos hecho, debemos seguir abogando por respuestas humanas y basadas en evidencias", dijo el Dr. Bobby Mukkamala, presidente del Grupo de Trabajo de Uso de Sustancias y Atención al Dolor de la AMA.

La AMA subraya que, si bien los médicos están liderando en las áreas en que pueden tener una influencia, no pueden poner fin a la epidemia por sí solos. Para combatir el problema a nivel estatal y nacional, la organización ha publicado una "hoja de ruta" nacional destinada a los responsables de la formulación de políticas y a los reguladores, que está centrada en estas acciones específicas:

• Eliminar las barreras a la atención basada en evidencias para los pacientes con un SUD. Esto incluye eliminar la autorización previa, la terapia escalonada y los límites de dosificación para los MOUD, continuar con las flexibilidades federales para la medicación que se puede llevar a casa en cuanto a los programas de tratamiento de opioides, continuar con las opciones de telesalud audiovisuales y de solo audio para que los pacientes comiencen su tratamiento y eliminar las regulaciones que impiden que la mayoría de los médicos puedan recetar MOUD a sus pacientes.

• Dar pasos inmediatos para proteger a las familias centrándose en aumentar el acceso a la atención basada en evidencias en lugar de utilizar castigos y la amenaza de separación familiar para las personas que padecen un SUD y que están embarazadas, en periparto, posparto y crianza de los hijos.

• Hacer cumplir las leyes que exigen que los beneficios de salud mental estén a la par de otros beneficios de salud, ampliando así el acceso a tratamientos relacionados con la salud mental y los trastornos de abuso de sustancias.

• Las cadenas de farmacias, las compañías de seguros de salud y los administradores de beneficios farmacéuticos deben eliminar las barreras arbitrarias para la terapia de opioides, así como garantizar el acceso de los pacientes a una atención no opioide del dolor que sea asequible y accesible.

• Los pacientes y los médicos deben conversar sobre el almacenamiento y eliminación seguros de los opioides y de todos los medicamentos, y aumentar el acceso a la naxolona para los pacientes que tienen riesgo de sufrir una sobredosis.

• Desarrollar y poner en práctica sistemas destinados a recopilar datos oportunos, adecuados y estandarizados con objeto de identificar poblaciones de riesgo, comprender a fondo el uso de drogas de polisustancias y poner en acción intervenciones de salud pública que aborden directamente la eliminación de las desigualdades estructurales y raciales.

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Matrix Theatre Company presents its second 2022-2023 Mainstage Theatre production, the world premiere of the R&J Project, by local playwright Craig Ester, in partnership with Break the Chain Theatre Company. The production opens on February 10th and runs through February 26, Fridays and Saturdays at 8PM and Sundays at 3PM. All performances are presented at Matrix Theatre Company, located at 2730 Bagley Avenue in the heart of Mexicantown.

The R&J Project follows the cast and director of the First Baptist Church's Drama Club production of Romeo and Juliet – both backstage and onstage. Together they share the joy, pain, and triumph of working together to conquer Shakespeare's words as Alex, the play's director, helps them understand its relevance to their own lives. Young people of color have a hard time seeing themselves in the classics and The R&J Project gives them Shakespeare through their lens; making it vital and exciting by allowing young kids of color and LGBTQIA+ kids to see themselves represented in the text. Alex, their teacher, whose life was saved by falling in love with Shakespeare is on their own journey of learning how to pass down their knowledge and skills and passion to the students.

"It's critical that we present shows which include BIPOC and LGBTQIA+ representation in order to make theatre feel more accessible," said Matrix Director of Productions Marisa Dluge. "We want everyone to see themselves on our stage."

Written and directed by Break the Chain Theatre's Craig Ester, who is thrilled to be collaborating with Matrix Theatre on the world premiere of his newest project, the play features a diverse cast of Detroit actors who include Laketa Caston
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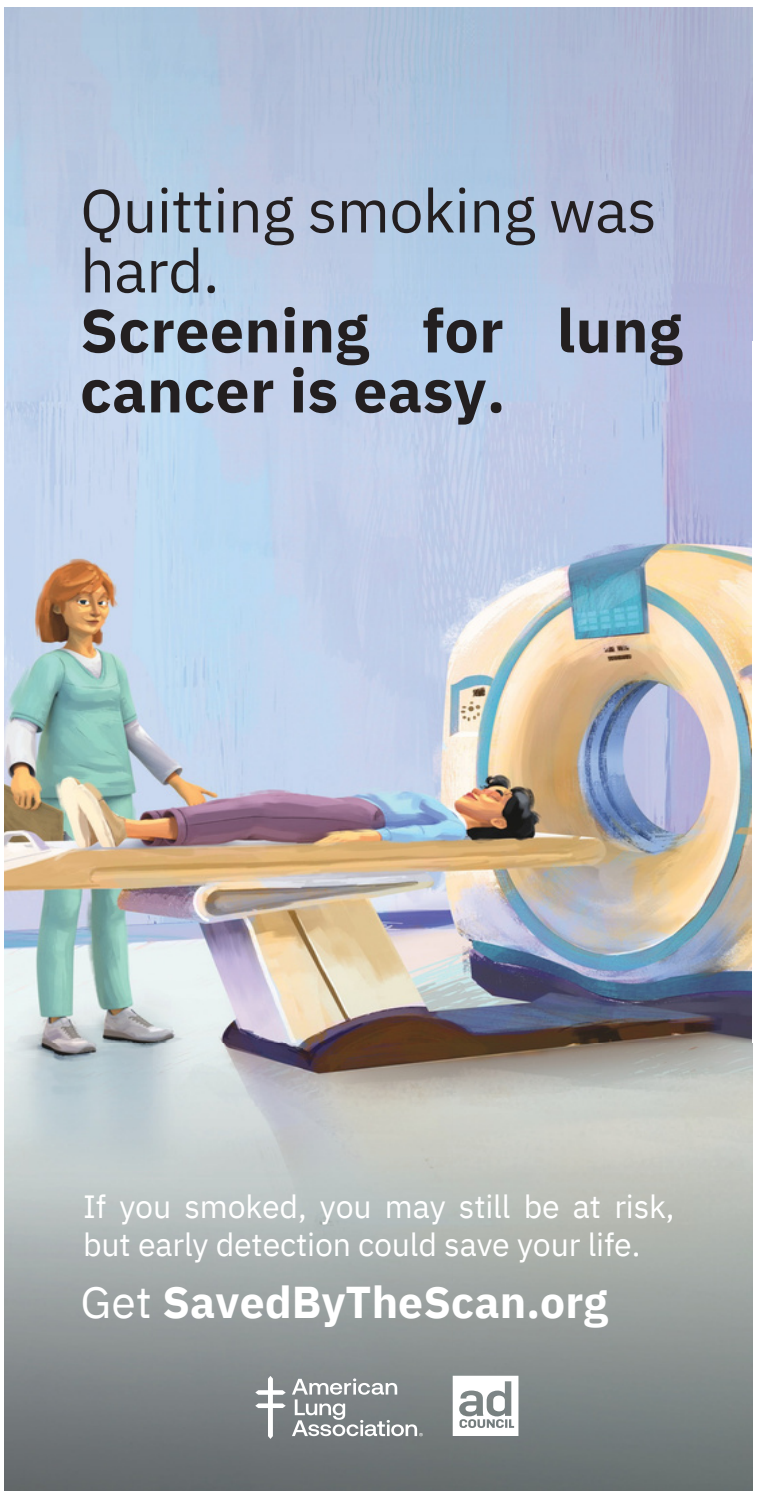
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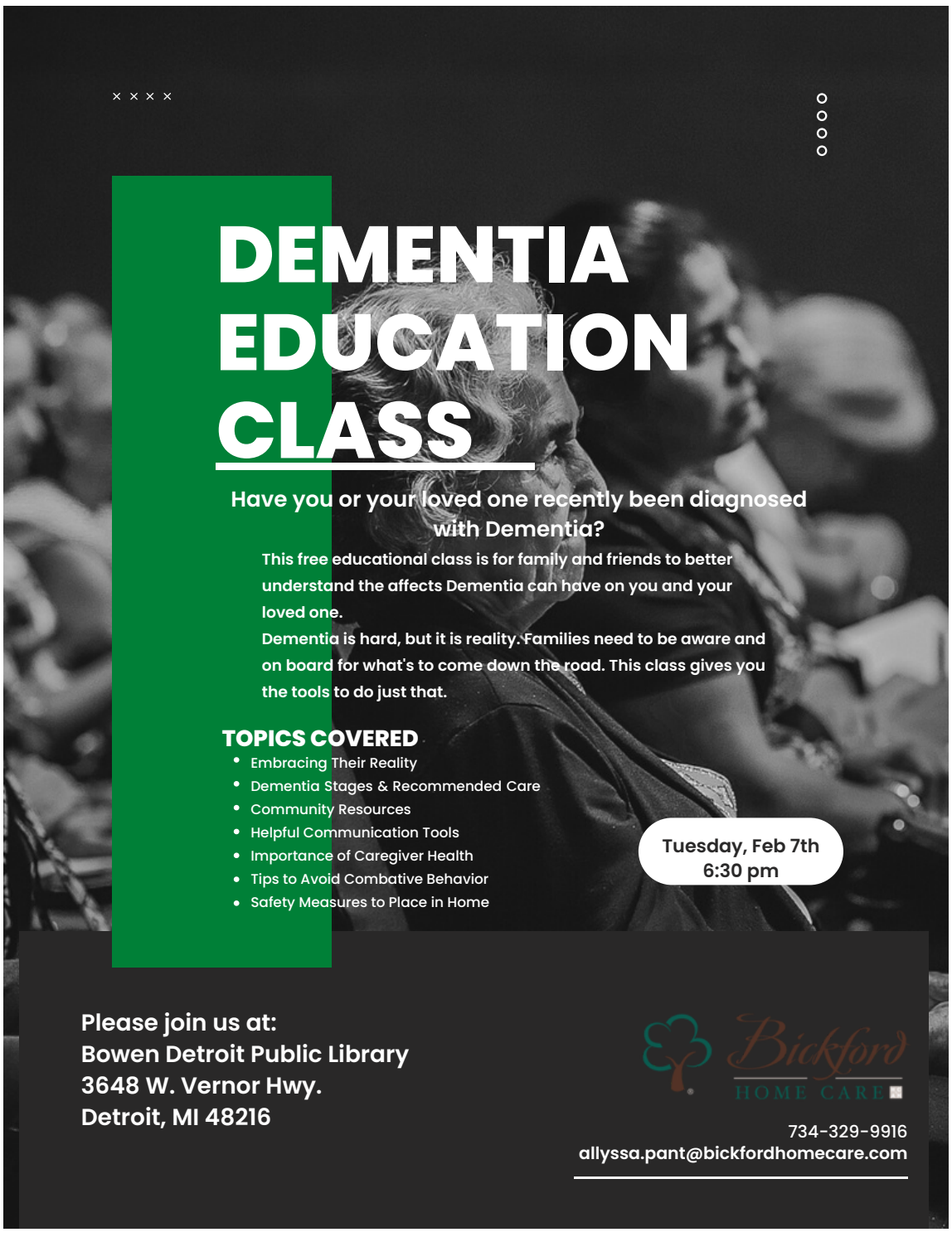
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